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REMARKS

In the above-recited Office Action, the Examiner requires restriction to one of the two identified inventions, described as follows: Invention I, defined in claims 1-20 and 23-24; and Invention II, defined in claims 21-22.

In response, Applicants hereby provisionally elect the Invention I, defined in claims 1-20 and 23-24, under traverse that such Restriction by the Examiner is appropriate in this instance.

That is, it is noted that Claim 21 has been amended above to remove the feature that is understood as being the Examiner's reason for distinctness, thereby rendering moot the rationale for the Election/Restrictions Requirement.

Applicants reserve the opportunity to later file a Divisional Application for the non-elected claims.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the Application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

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A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary.
The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully Submitted,

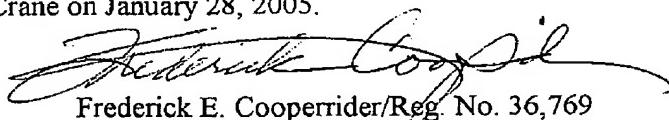


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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION

I certify that I transmitted via facsimile to (703) 872-9306 this Amendment/Response to a Restriction Requirement to Examiner Crane on January 28, 2005.



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